

# News Items for 2014 - August

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## MSU closed for Labor Day

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In observance of the Labor Day holiday, Morehead State University will be closed Monday, Sept. 1.

There will be no classes or office hours and mail will not be delivered.

Offices will reopen and classes will resume on regular schedule at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 2.

The [MSU Police Department](#) will be available at 606-783-2035 to answer questions and address campus concerns.

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## Jackie Darling Memorial Scholarship established

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The Morehead State University Foundation has announced the establishment of the Jackie Darling Memorial Scholarship.

Darling joined MSU's Department of Imaging Sciences faculty in 1979 as an assistant professor before being promoted to associate professor. She completed doctoral courses at the University of Kentucky and received Master of Arts and Master of Science degrees from MSU.

Darling was certified through the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists in radiography and mammography and was a recognized educator in radiologic technology at the national, state and local levels.

She passed away Feb. 7.

"Our family started the scholarship because teaching was truly her passion. She loved her career and mentoring the students through their educational journey," said Darling's daughter Sandra Glover. "We feel this was the best way to honor her. This scholarship helps to further the Imaging Science program to which she dedicated so much of her life."

Darling had been faculty co-advisor to Sigma Alpha Chi and Chi Beta Gamma, student radiography clubs. A member of numerous committees, she served on the Governance, Tenure and Intercollegiate committees. She also served as a Faculty Senator.

Recipients of the scholarship shall be full-time students who are admitted to one of the Imaging Sciences programs. This includes the associate degree radiologic science program and/or the baccalaureate imaging science program.

Beginning in 2016-17, preference will be given to students in the associate degree program. Recipients should be identified as having financial need by MSU's Office of Enrollment Services.

Scholarships will be awarded on an annual basis and the award amount may vary based on the available funds. The recipient will be selected by a committee and is a one-time award (not renewable).

Donations may be made to MSU Foundation Inc., Jackie Darling Memorial Scholarship, Palmer Development House, Morehead.

Students interested in applying should contact the Department of Imaging Sciences at 606-783-2624 or Enrollment Services at 606-783-2000.

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## Audible alert system test Monday

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Morehead State University will conduct the monthly test of its audible alert system on Monday, Aug. 4, beginning at 12:30 p.m.

The system consists of three speakers that use an alert tone as well as voice messages to warn the campus during an emergency.

The high powered amplifiers, located on Ginger and Cartmell halls along with Jayne Stadium, are designed primarily to alert pedestrians on campus sidewalks and streets.

Faculty, staff and students also can be notified by signing up for Eagle Alerts (e2Campus).

Additional information on MSU's emergency procedures can be found on the MSU website at [www.moreheadstate.edu/emergency/](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/emergency/).

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## MSPR to host CAB meeting, Aug. 14

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The Community Advisory Board for [Morehead State Public Radio](http://www.wmky.org) will conduct its quarterly meeting on Thursday, Aug. 14, at 6 p.m.

The meeting will be held in the MSPR studios, located in Breckinridge Hall on the Morehead State University campus. Meetings of the board are open to the public.

Morehead State Public Radio broadcasts 24-hours a day from the MSU campus. WMKY (90.3 FM) serves as the flagship station for the network. MSPR serves more than 20 counties in Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia.

Additional information is available on MSPR's website at [www.wmky.org](http://www.wmky.org) or from Paul Hitchcock, general manager, at [wmky@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:wmky@moreheadstate.edu) or by phone at 606-783-2001.

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## Ullrich hired as head of special collections and archives

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Morehead State University's Camden-Carroll Library has hired Dieter Ullrich as its new head of special collections and archives librarian. He began work on Aug. 1.

Ullrich has a Bachelor of Arts degree in History and Political Science from Metropolitan State University in Denver, Colorado, a Master of Arts degree in History from Indiana University of Pennsylvania and a Masters in Library and Information Science from the University of Kentucky.

He has 22 years of working experience in university libraries and archives, published more than 30 articles on local and regional history in Kentucky and created several hundred web based presentations and finding aids that have allowed public access to numerous unique and diverse archival collections.

Ullrich comes to Morehead from Murray State University where he served as director of special collections and archives.

He is a member of the Society of American Archivists, Kentucky Council on Archives, Kentucky Digital Library Advisory Committee and the Advisory Committee on University Records for the Kentucky Department of Library and Archives.

He also is a member of the Jackson Purchase Historical Society and served on the Publication Committee for the organization's annual journal and as its website coordinator.

Additional information is available by calling 606-783-2200.

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## MSPR to broadcast Fancy Farm Special

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[Morehead State Public Radio](#) (MSPR) will broadcast Kentucky Educational Television's (KET) coverage of Fancy Farm 2014, with a special program to air at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 5.

KET hosts Bill Goodman and Renee Shaw will present highlights from the Fancy Farm picnic and offer excerpts from the speeches in a one-hour Fancy Farm 2014 Special.

“Fancy Farm has become a ‘must see’ event for many of our KET viewers,” Goodman said. “We do our best to bring viewers the flavor and feeling of one of the oldest political picnics in the nation.”

Every year since the early 1880s, St. Jerome Catholic Church in the small town of Fancy Farm (Graves County) in Western Kentucky has hosted an annual community picnic. It was a local affair at first, but at some point, political candidates began to see the picnic as a good chance to meet, greet and stump for votes. Soon a platform for speaking was added, and by the middle of the 20th century, Fancy Farm had become the unofficial kickoff event for the fall campaigns in Kentucky.

KET serves more than one million people each week via television, online and mobile. Learn more about KET public media organization online at [www.ket.org](http://www.ket.org).

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Additional information is available on MSPR's website at [www.wmky.org](http://www.wmky.org) or from Paul Hitchcock, general manager, by email at [wmky@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:wmky@moreheadstate.edu) or phone at 606-783-2001.

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## ‘Summer Send-Off’ successful in Pikeville

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More than 100 Morehead State University alumni, current and future students and friends gathered Thursday, July 31, for the first-ever “Summer Send-Off Celebration.”

The event hosted by the offices of Enrollment Services and Alumni and Development was held at the Pikeville City Park Shelter and Gazebo.

“We were delighted with the turn out,” said Holly Pollock, director of undergraduate admissions. “Before the new Eagles come to campus, we wanted to bring together our alumni and current students to welcome the incoming students to the MSU family, and also answer last minute questions that will ease their transition to college life.”

MSU provided food, music and every new Eagle walked away with a special duffel bag.

The remaining sandwiches were donated to the Westcare Homeless Shelter in Pikeville.

There is still time for new or returning students to register for MSU’s 2014 fall academic term. Classes begin Monday, Aug. 18, at MSU or its regional campuses and registration is available online.

Additional information is available by contacting the [Office of Enrollment Services](#) at 606-783-2000 or 800-585-6781.

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## More than 1,000 people attend Health Impact Series events with CDC

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A three-day series of community meetings to address healthcare concerns across southern and eastern Kentucky wrapped up in Morehead on Wednesday (Aug. 6).

[\(View gallery\)](#)

“I’ve learned during this tour that Appalachian Kentucky is ready to stand up to daunting health challenges of heart disease, diabetes, obesity, cancer and drug overdose,” said CDC Director Dr. Tom Frieden. “It’s not going to be a short fight, or an easy one, but CDC stands with you and I’m confident that together we can save many lives.”

More than 1,000 individuals representing local, state and federal efforts attended the four “Health Impact Series” events as part of the Shaping Our Appalachian Region (SOAR) initiative.

“Dr. Frieden is a champion for healthcare and an innovative leader for change. He has become a good friend of mine in the fight against prescription drug abuse in our region,” said U.S. Rep. Harold “Hal” Rogers, who then thanked Dr. Frieden “for making this personal house call to our region.”

“We could bring every leader in the world to our region, but without you here to implement the new ideas and changes, it is all just talk,” Congressman Rogers reminded those in attendance. “We need to make things happen, and you are the difference makers.”

During the symposium, Congressman Rogers announced that Morehead State University has been awarded a \$500,000 grant from the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) to continue the “Appalachian Rural Dental Education Partnership Program” with the University of Kentucky College of Dentistry. Joining Congressman Rogers for the announcement were Kentucky Lt. Governor Jerry Abramson, ARC Federal Co-Chair Earl Gohl, Morehead State University President Wayne D. Andrews and Kentucky House Majority Leader Rocky Adkins.

The state supported the project with a 22 percent match.

Emphasizing “it takes multiple programs and great leadership to pioneer the path for a healthier region,” Congressman Rogers presented four “Health Impact Awards” to celebrate the “great work” in awareness and prevention efforts. Recipients of the award were:

- Dr. Gerald DeMoss, an extraordinary leader in health education and provision in Eastern Kentucky for more than 45 years. DeMoss established Morehead State University’s Space Science Program, one of five

baccalaureate space science degrees in the nation, and initiated key grants and contracts that have provided \$6.5 million to the institution and service region, including MSU's joint physicians assistant program with UK.

• Rural Physician Leadership Program. This program – a collaborative effort of St. Claire Regional Medical Center, Morehead State University, Northeast Area Health Education Center, and UK College of Medicine – prepares young men and women for careers in medicine, ensuring that the best and brightest students are encouraged to utilize their talents in healthcare right here at home.

• Gateway Wellness Coalition, which identifies community health needs and implements strategies to address pressing health issues in Bath, Menifee, Morgan and Rowan counties. This collaboration between St. Claire Regional Medical Center, Morehead State University and the Gateway District Health Department has launched programs such as “Walking 4 Wellness,” supporting improvements in the local farmers markets and area walking trails.

• Lawrence County Health Department, which launched an innovative awareness and screening project to reduce the rate of colon cancer. They have coordinated more than 600 colonoscopies and processed more than 600 FIT colorectal screening kits statewide, which led to the detection of colon cancer in 40 patients. The health department hopes to conduct 4,000 screenings during the next year.

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## **Convocation to mark beginning of semester**

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The 2014 Fall Semester at Morehead State University gets under way next week.

Before the students begin classes, President Wayne D. Andrews will address the faculty and staff during the Fall Convocation. The event will take place at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13, in Button Auditorium.

After the welcome by Dr. Gerald DeMoss, several awards will be presented.

Updates and brief announcements will be made, to be followed by Dr. Andrews' address.

Classes for the spring semester begin on Monday, Aug. 18.

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## **13th Annual Regional Entrepreneur Conference slated for Sept. 4**

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“Sales 3.0, The New Cont@ct Sport” will be presented at the 13th Annual Regional Entrepreneur Conference, Thursday, Sept. 4, at the Morehead Conference Center, 111 East First Street, in Morehead.

The REC is a one-day event to promote the small business owner, entrepreneur, and provide professional development while encouraging economic growth. This year the conference is being held in conjunction with the September Morehead/Rowan County Chamber of Commerce luncheon.

Network with business owners and service providers; discover how to maximize the opportunities in digital marketing and find out about the new and efficient ways to get your business found. Presenter Doug Dvorak will share his ideas and tools to use the internet to drive sales and customers.

Registration is \$25 for the full day of training including lunch or \$14 for the chamber luncheon only. Sponsorship and exhibitor tables are available for service providers and businesses to showcase their products or services.

Training programs, sponsored or co-sponsored by SBDC, are available to all individuals without regard to race, color, sex, creed or national origin. Special arrangements will be made for those with disabilities if requested in advance.

The Kentucky Small Business Development Center is a network of 15 offices located throughout the commonwealth that help existing and start-up businesses succeed by offering high quality, in-depth and hands-on services. These services include: no-cost confidential business consultations, affordable business workshops, seminars and research to help business owners make informed business decisions.

The KSBDC is a partner program with the U.S. Small Business Development Administration SBA.

To register, visit [www.ksbdc.org](http://www.ksbdc.org) or contact Mark Murphy, SBDC consultant, at 606-783-2895 or email [m.murphy@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:m.murphy@moreheadstate.edu).

## MSU receives \$500k ARC grant

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U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers and Earl Gohl, Appalachian Regional Commission, co-chair, today (Wednesday, Aug. 6) presented a \$500,000 grant to continue the work of the Appalachian Rural Dental Educational Program.

Morehead State University and the University of Kentucky, through its College of Dentistry, first partnered in Sept. 2011 for the creation of the Appalachian Rural Dental Educational Program.

Its goal was to train more dentists to practice in rural areas and give them the tools necessary to set up thriving dental practices in eastern Kentucky.

Lt. Governor Jerry Abramson, Rep. Rocky Adkins, the majority leader; Tony Wilder, commissioner of the Department for Local Government; MSU President Wayne D. Andrews, Rep. Rogers and Gohl, took part in a ceremony at the Morehead Conference Center.

“This is another example of how collaboration between educational institutions can benefit citizens of Kentucky,” Dr. Andrews said. “A lot of hard work by both universities went into this, and we are extremely proud to be able to offer this program. Dental health is very important to our overall health, and we know that many people are struggling to afford dental treatment at the moment, so the program will undoubtedly improve access to dental care.”

According to Dr. Andrews, “Maintaining proper dental care is a fundamental health matter that affects every Kentuckian, yet not every Kentuckian has access to adequate dental treatment.”

The Appalachian Rural Dental Educational Program is funded by an ARC grant, as well as funding from UK and MSU.

“It’s a wonderful program that we are thrilled to see continue,” said Rep. Rogers. “As we have seen during our Shaping Our Appalachian Region (SOAR)’s health impact series, dental care is one of the challenges facing this region.”

The partnership’s main goals are to (1) design and implement an educational program to increase the number of practicing dentists in Appalachia through enhanced training, recruitment and educational assistance, (2) provide

a campus-based student oral health awareness program, and (3) create a pipeline of potential students interested in dental education from the ARC counties. Through the ARDEP's implementation, potential dental care providers will not only have a broader understanding of the benefits of improved oral health and have access to high-quality oral health education, but they will also be prepared to operate financially sound rural dental practices.

"This will help the third step of the program for high school and college students to become dentists," said Gohl. "Morehead State and UK have worked well together on the first two goals. We (ARC) think it's a great investment of federal funds that will have returns for eastern Kentucky."

Counties that will be served by the program are Adair, Bath, Bell, Boyd, Breathitt, Carter, Casey, Clark, Clay, Clinton, Cumberland, Edmonson, Elliott, Estill, Fleming, Floyd, Garrard, Green, Greenup, Harlan, Hart, Jackson, Johnson, Knott, Knox, Laurel, Lawrence, Lee, Leslie, Letcher, Lewis, Lincoln, McCreary, Madison, Magoffin, Martin, Menifee, Metcalfe, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Nicholas, Owsley, Perry, Pike, Powell, Pulaski, Robertson, Rockcastle, Rowan, Russell, Wayne, Whitley and Wolfe.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Gerald DeMoss, MSU's academic affairs liaison, at 606-783-2623.

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## **SBDC to offer business workshop in Beattyville**

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Morehead State University's East Kentucky Small Business Development Center (SBDC) will host "Starting a Business in Kentucky – What You Need to Know," Thursday Aug. 28, from 6-7:30 p.m.

Have you thought about starting your own business? If so, this workshop will walk you through the essentials to starting a business in Kentucky also providing you with different scenarios on business startups and structures. It will be held at the PEP offices, 70 Locust Street, Beattyville.

"Small businesses are the heart of the American economy and this workshop is designed to show entrepreneurs the essentials to starting a business and the potential of becoming an entrepreneur. If you've asked yourself if entrepreneurship is for you come by and see what it entails," said Michelle Spriggs, SBDC consultant.

The workshop is free for all participants; however, seating is limited and advance registration is recommended.

Training programs, sponsored or co-sponsored by SBDC, are available to all individuals without regard to race, color, sex, creed or national origin. Special arrangements will be made for those with disabilities if requested in advance.

For a list of upcoming events, you may visit the MSU SBDC website at [www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc).

Additional information and preregistration are available by contacting Spriggs at 606-788-7272 or email [m.spriggs@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:m.spriggs@moreheadstate.edu).

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## New student move-in day Aug. 14

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Morehead State University will host "New Student Move-In Day" Thursday, Aug. 14, from 8 a.m. to approximately 5 p.m.

Battson-Oates Drive, which runs from University Boulevard up the hill toward the Mignon Complex, will temporarily be one-way west to Henry Ward Place behind the library.

Faculty and staff are encouraged to access employee parking off Henry Ward Place from Fifth Street on the west end of campus. Those with reserved spaces on University Boulevard will be allowed to enter campus as long as their reserved tag is properly displayed. Be prepared, if asked, to show your University EagleCard.

This traffic pattern was designed to accommodate new students moving into their residence halls. Comply with posted and verbal directions of police and volunteers during this time.

"New Student Move-In Day is the busiest traffic day on campus. Be patient and allow extra time to reach your destination," said Matt Sparks, MSU police chief.

Faculty and staff members are encouraged to limit their travel on campus during move-in hours.

Parents and students are asked to report to the parking (overflow) lot across from campus to begin the residence hall check-in process.

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## MSPR, WUKY team up to provide better news coverage

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Kentucky's oldest public radio station, WUKY (91.3 FM), owned by the University of Kentucky has reached an agreement with [Morehead State Public Radio's WMKY \(90.3 FM\)](#) , to exclusively exchange news stories and features produced in their respective newsrooms.

The partnership, which officially began on July 21, is expected to enhance coverage of Central and Eastern Kentucky issues.

"When you talk about Eastern Kentucky, no station does a better job of covering the region than WMKY in Morehead," said Alan Lytle, WUKY news director. "I'm elated to bring the award-winning reporting of MSPR to our regional audience."

"Our goal for the past several years has been to expand and extend the WUKY newsroom," said Tom Godell, WUKY general manager. "By forging this historic partnership, we're able to add two more seasoned broadcast journalists (Dan Conti and Chuck Mraz) to our team and provide exceptional coverage of news from East Kentucky to our Lexington audience."

"WUKY has a long history of providing the highest quality of news and information to the people of Central Kentucky," said Paul Hitchcock, MSPR general manager. "WMKY is excited to partner with WUKY to expand on our ability to serve the listeners in East Kentucky."

According to Godell, comprehensive coverage of Eastern Kentucky's unique challenges is an essential part of moving the entire state forward.

"The recent 50th anniversary of President Johnson's War on Poverty has focused increased national attention on Appalachia. WUKY's partnership with WMKY will enable both stations to report more thoroughly on this region, and we hope over time to be joined by other public radio stations in Kentucky and West Virginia who care about the many issues facing the people of Appalachia."

"As the Shaping Our Appalachian Region (SOAR) discussions develop, the partnership between WMKY and WUKY will enhance our resources to focus on the key issues of Appalachia including education, employment, environment, health and wellness, tourism and transportation," added Hitchcock.

The WUKY-WMKY partnership includes a variety of broadcast and online news content including daily spot news stories and in-depth feature reporting.

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Additional information is available by contacting Hitchcock, at 606-783-2001 or by email [wmky@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:wmky@moreheadstate.edu).

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## MSU welcomes Dr. Steven Ralston as provost

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Morehead State University welcomes Dr. Steven M. Ralston as chief academic officer/provost, as of Aug. 1.

He has most recently served as Marist College's dean of the School of Communication and the Arts.

"Dr. Ralston is a proven leader with a strong reputation of vision, energy and integrity," said Dr. Andrews. "I am confident he can lead our faculty and the Division of Academic Affairs to even greater heights as a top tier public regional university."

"I am honored to be named Morehead State University's chief academic officer/provost. I am grateful to President Andrews and the search committee for the chance to serve the University," said Dr. Ralston.

He will succeed Dr. Gerald L. DeMoss, who has been acting provost and vice president for academic affairs since August 2013.

Dr. Andrews describes Dr. Ralston as "the right person at the right time" to become MSU's 11th chief academic officer and the third to hold the title of provost.

Raised in Richmond, Virginia, he served in the military during the Vietnam era and earned his Ph.D. degree in communication theory and research from Indiana University in 1986. He received a master of arts degree in speech communication from the University of Tennessee, and a bachelor of arts in speech and theatre from Old Dominion University.

Prior to Marist, Dr. Ralston was professor and chair of the Department of Communication at Northern Illinois University, where he oversaw the university's largest undergraduate major and a sizable master of arts program. Previously, he was professor and chair of the Department of Communication and Visual Art at the University of Michigan-Flint, and director of the Oral Communication Proficiency Program and assistant director of the Teaching and Learning Center at East Tennessee State University. He also has served on the faculty at Iowa State University and Creighton University.

He has written more than 60 articles, papers, and presentations. His research has appeared in numerous scholarly publications including the Journal of Applied Communication Research, Communication Education, the Journal of Business Communication, the Journal of Business and Technical Communication, and the Employee Responsibilities and Rights Journal. He is the former editor of the Journal of Business Communication and past president of the East Tennessee Chapter of the American Society for Training and Development. He serves on the editorial review boards of several scholarly journals.

Additional information is available by contacting the Office of the Provost, 205 Howell-McDowell, 606-783-2002, or Dr. Ralston at [s.ralston@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:s.ralston@moreheadstate.edu).

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## **Estill County students visit Early College Program**

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Students from Estill County High School visited the Morehead State University campus, as part of the Early College Program, Tuesday, Aug. 12.

More than 50 high and technical schools offered MSU classes during the fall semester with more than 2,000 high school students participating in the program.

“This program is truly a win-win opportunity. Students get to earn college credit for free or at a much reduced rate, parents have less financial burden for a college education and schools get challenging new courses which fully optimize the talents of their high schools,” said Joel Pace, director of early college programs.

MSU and the partner schools are collaborating to meet a goal of 24 college credits for all high school students before they graduate.

School systems taking part are: Bath, Boyd, Breathitt, Bullitt, Carter, Elliott, Estill, Fayette, Fleming, Floyd, Grant, Greenup, Jessamine, Jefferson, Johnson, Knott, Lee, Lawrence, Lewis, Magoffin, Martin, Mason, Menifee, Mercer, Montgomery, Morgan, Oldham, Pike, Powell, Rockcastle, Rowan and Wolfe counties; as well as Ashland Blazer, Frankfort, Jackson, Lexington Catholic, Maysville’s St. Patrick, Paintsville, Russell, Raceland-Worthington independents; and Lakeside Christian.

A minimum 3.0 grade point average and an 18 composite ACT score are necessary to be admitted to the program. Students also must meet any specific requirements that are course related.

Students enrolled in courses taught by MSU faculty on the Morehead campus, at one of our regional campuses, or online during the semester will receive a 60 percent scholarship and would be responsible for the remaining tuition for their courses. Students enrolled in courses instructed by approved faculty in their school system will continue to receive a full waiver for the cost of tuition.

Additional information is available by calling Pace at 606-783-2995 or you can find an application at [www.moreheadstate.edu/earlycollege/](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/earlycollege/).

## **KEEC to host meeting at MSU**

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The [Kentucky Environmental Education Council](#) (KEEC) will seek input on the 2014 Environmental Education 5-Year Master Plan from all stakeholders interested in environmental education as it will host a meeting Wednesday, Aug. 27, from 5-7 p.m. in 209 Combs Building on the Morehead State University campus.

The Master Plan will be developed through a collaborative, stakeholder-based process that will guide the direction and coordination of environmental education delivery throughout the Commonwealth.

Participants are invited to provide input into environmental education in Kentucky for the next five years. Participation is crucial to the development of a visionary and practical plan for improving the environmental literacy of all Kentuckians.

The current master plan can be previewed prior to the meeting at <http://keec.ky.gov/Publications/Pages/MasterPlan.aspx>.

Additional information is available from Michelle Shane at 502-564-5937 or email [Michelle.Shane@ky.gov](mailto:Michelle.Shane@ky.gov).

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## MSU police offer campus safety tips

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With the fall semester getting started, [Morehead State University's Police Department](#) offers this advice to the campus community: Be aware of your surroundings and take the necessary precautions to avoid loss of your belongings.

"It is not uncommon to see an increase in crime at this time of year," said MSU Police Chief Matt Sparks. "On the campus, everyone is busy with the start of the new semester and fail to adhere to the safety rules that they usually follow."

Purses, wallets, cell phones, iPods and textbooks are among the list of items that are reported missing most often.

Always on the lookout for suspicious activity, an increase in the number of reports of theft has police officers being ever more vigilant. Students, as well as faculty and staff, are urged to take all necessary measures to secure and protect personal belongings in residence halls, offices and vehicles, in addition to office equipment and other vulnerable items.

"We want to remind you to take the extra time to secure items in the trunk or under the seat before leaving your automobile," Chief Sparks said. "The threat of a break-in is reduced if your belongings are not visible. Remember to lock your vehicle before leaving it in the parking area."

University police remind students to also practice safety in the residence halls:

- Make sure your door is locked when leaving your room, even if you are only going next door. It takes less than 10 seconds for a thief to enter an open room and steal property.
- Do not leave messages on phones or computer accounts, indicating how long you will be away or when you expect to return.
- Follow the safety in numbers rule when going out at night and arrange to go with friends/roommates. It is a good practice to scan your surroundings whether walking on campus, traveling by automobile or enjoying a shopping excursion.



- Do not leave valuables or property (purses, backpacks, books, personal identification, etc.) visible in or around the office or living area.

- Keep emergency numbers by the phone. Call 911 to report any suspicious person or activity.

- Take the time to be aware of your surroundings and any unusual activity.

Additional information is available by calling the MSU Police Department at 606-783-2035.

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## **MSU honors faculty, staff with awards**

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Morehead State University honored five individuals during the University's Fall Convocation on Wednesday, Aug. 13.

The 2014 award recipients were: Dr. Timothy Hare, associate professor of anthropology in the Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy, Distinguished Researcher; Dr. Stacy Baker, professor of music tuba/euphonium, Distinguished Teacher; George Eklund, associate professor of English, Distinguished Creative Productions; Joshua Moore, minority academic services coordinator, Distinguished Staff Service; and Kelly Collinsworth, associate professor of legal studies, Distinguished Faculty Service.

Dr. Hare earned a Master of Arts degree in economic anthropology at the University of Iowa and a Ph.D. degree in anthropology at the University at Albany in the Institute for Mesoamerican Studies. Today, he works as a regional analyst and divides his time between the spatial analysis of social, economic, and health factors across central Appalachia, and the study of regional socioeconomic transformations in ancient Mesoamerican societies.

He began investigating economic and social transformations in ancient societies while conducting field research in community organization at the ancient Aztec city of Otumba in the highlands of central Mexico. Since then, he has directed several archaeological projects aimed at reconstructing how political and economic transformed in the development of ancient Aztec and Maya societies.

Dr. Hare has co-directed archaeological investigations at the ancient city of Mayapán in Mexico since 2001. His anthropological work has appeared in Latin American Antiquity, Anthropos, and the Journal of Archaeological Science.

He also conducts regional analysis of development issues, especially health outcomes in the states comprising central Appalachia. His experience as an economic anthropologist and conducting regional analysis fits perfectly with studying the factors determining disparities in health outcomes across central Appalachia. He is currently working as part of the Appalachian Cancer Network exploring disparities in respiratory disease across central Appalachia. In 2013, he published an article comparing the geographical patterns of elevated lung cancer and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease across central Appalachia that showed surprising differences between the two spatial distributions. An additional article in press describes the geographical variation in lung cancer mortality in eastern Kentucky and explores the factors influencing cancer distribution. He also recently presented his work on female/male differences in lung cancer rates in Appalachia at the meeting of the Appalachian Community Cancer Network.

Looking to the future, he is collaborating with Charles Mason, MSU professor of geoscience, in compiling preliminary data on the relationships between geological formations and cancer rates in east Kentucky. Preliminary analysis of the spatial association between Black Shale formations and cancer rates in Kentucky suggests that high levels of organic radioactive materials and heavy metals in the soil and groundwater might play a role in cancer disparities in the region. His goal in engaging in community research in Appalachia is to make it possible to better target specific factors contributing to elevated cancer rates in particular locations.

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The 2014 award recipients were: Dr. Timothy Hare, associate professor of anthropology in the Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy, Distinguished Researcher; Dr. Stacy Baker, professor of music, Distinguished Teacher; George Eklund, associate professor of English, Distinguished Creative Productions; Joshua Moore minority academic services coordinator, Distinguished Staff Service; and Kelly Collinsworth, associate professor of legal studies, Distinguished Faculty Service.

Dr. Hare earned a Master of Arts degree in economic anthropology at the University of Iowa and a Ph.D. degree in anthropology at the University at Albany in the Institute for Mesoamerican Studies. Today, he works as a

regional analyst and divides his time between the spatial analysis of social, economic, and health factors across central Appalachia, and the study of regional socioeconomic transformations in ancient Mesoamerican societies.

He began investigating economic and social transformations in ancient societies while conducting field research in community organization at the ancient Aztec city of Otumba in the highlands of central Mexico. Since then, he has directed several archaeological projects aimed at reconstructing how political and economic transformed in the development of ancient Aztec and Maya societies.

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**EVENT: Board of Regents Special Meeting**

**DATE: Thursday, Aug. 21, 2014**

**TIME: 10:30 a.m.**

**SITE: Riggle Room, Adron Doran University Center**

**Morehead State University's Board of Regents will hold a special meeting on Thursday, Aug. 21, at 10:30 a.m.**

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**Agenda**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. ROLL CALL**

**III. OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO NEW MEMBERS**

**IV. ELECT VICE CHAIR AND SECRETARY; APPOINT TREASURER (Pursuant to KRS 164.330)**

**V. RATIFY MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FOR LIFE INSURANCE**

**VI. APPROVE AMENDED MINUTES OF MARCH 13, 2014**

**VII. UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

- Quarterly Meeting, Thursday, September 25, 9 a.m.**
- Retreat/Work Session, Thursday, November 6, 9 a.m.**
- Quarterly Meeting, Thursday, December 4, 9 a.m.**
- Fall Commencement, Saturday, December 13, 10:30 a.m.**



**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

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## **Hutchinson named interim assistant vice president-dean of students**

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**Morehead State University's [Division for Student Life](#) has announced that Brian Hutchinson has been named interim assistant vice president/dean of students.**

**Hutchinson succeeds Dr. Kevin Koett, who accepted a position at Western Carolina University.**

**"We will miss Kevin and at the same time look forward to working with Brian in this capacity," said Madonna Weathers, vice president for student life. "Brian's experience and skills will easily transfer to his new job. He will be a tremendous help as we start the search for the new dean of students."**

**According to Weathers, Hutchinson will continue his duties as MSU athletics director. He became the University's ninth director of athletics on March 1, 2005, after spending five years as associate director of athletics and six months as interim director.**

**Hutchinson says he welcomes the opportunity to be more involved with the student body, including working with student organizations and activities, as well as, ensuring the safety and well-being of all MSU students.**

**"Much of my experience at MSU has been student focused and many of the athletic director's duties fall in line with these duties," said Hutchinson. "I'm blessed to have the opportunity to serve my alma mater during this important time."**

**A 1996 graduate of Morehead State University, Hutchinson earned a bachelor of business administration, while specializing in real estate. During his senior year, he served as the Student Government Association president and was a student representative to the MSU Board of Regents. He graduated in 2001 with a master of arts in education (sports administration), also from MSU. He has remained active in the local alumni association of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.**

**In 2013-14, Hutchinson served as the president of the Football Championship Subdivision Athletics Directors Association.**

**The Louisa native also is a member of the NCAA Division I Football Championship Committee and the NCAA Football Issues Committee. He has also served on various other NCAA Committees, including the Division I Recruiting and Personnel Issues Cabinet. Hutchinson also served as chair of the OVC Board of Directors of Athletics.**

**Hutchinson and his wife, Elizabeth, a two-time MSU alum, have two sons, Benjamin and Riley. They reside in Morehead.**

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## **New Eagles welcomed on campus**

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**Members of the freshman class of Morehead State University moved into their residence halls Thursday, Aug. 14, during “New Student Move-In Day.”**

**According enrollment services, a class of approximately 1,600 first-time freshman students will attend MSU in the fall 2014 term.**

**MSU also started a new tradition as it hosted the first New Student Induction Ceremony at the Academic-Athletic Center.**

**The goal of this event is to mark the official beginning of the new student’s academic career and welcome them to the MSU family. Students received a Class of 2018 keepsake pin and recited the Eagle Promise.**

**Many activities are scheduled for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 15-17, for students.**

**[Opening Weekend Activities](#)**

**[New Student Days Schedule of Events](#)**

**Chief photographer Tim Holbrook captured some of the sights of the day and has placed them into a two photo galleries.**

**[\(View Move-In/Experience Morehead gallery\)](#)**

**[\(View Induction Ceremony gallery\)](#)**

**Classes begin Monday, Aug. 18.**

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## MSU reminds students to sign up for Eagle Alerts

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With the beginning of the fall semester, Morehead State University reminds students of its emergency notification protocol.

An outdoor, audible alert system which utilizes electronic tones and public address speakers is set to begin another year of operation. The system, which includes high powered amplifiers atop Cartmell and Ginger halls and Jayne Stadium, is designed primarily to alert pedestrians on campus sidewalks and streets.

“Like other campuses, we have constant foot traffic and those individuals outdoors deserve to be notified in the same timely fashion as others who are indoors,” said MSU President Wayne D. Andrews. “This is yet another means of warning our academic community of impending danger in weather or safety emergencies.”

He also reported that MSU has an emergency procedure handbook for all employees and the same information is available on the Web and on posters displayed in classrooms, labs and offices.

“We are constantly reviewing our emergency communications procedures to protect the safety of our students, faculty, staff and visitors,” Dr. Andrews added. “Our text messaging system has been in place for nearly seven years and we continue to encourage members of our community to sign up.”

MSU also utilizes a number of other media strategies to communicate with its campus community. Depending upon the nature of the emergency, any or all of the following methods may be used:

- Cell phone text messaging with email ([Eagle Alerts](#)); Sign up is voluntary but strongly recommended;
- Mass email to students and employees;
- MSU [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#);
- Postings on [University website](#) and [MyMoreheadState.edu](#);

- **Radio, TV, and other media outlets, including [Morehead State Public Radio](#);**
- **Campus cable television override announcements;**
- **Digital information system displays;**
- **Printed notices in residence halls and administrative and academic buildings.**

**Additional information on MSU's emergency procedures can be found at [www.moreheadstate.edu/emergency/](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/emergency/).**

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## **MSU will not host RAM event**

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